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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, UNITED STATES TRANSPORTATION COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE) COMMANDER, UNITED STATES SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE) COMMANDER, UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND (ATTN: ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE) INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF **DEFENSE** DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (PROCUREMENT), ASA (ALT) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (ACQUISITION & LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT), ASN (RDA) DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (CONTRACTING), SAF/AQC DIRECTORS, DEFENSE AGENCIES DIRECTORS, DEFENSE FIELD ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT: Defense Contract Management Agency Commercial Item Determination Authority

The Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) Commercial Item Group (CIG) was established in response to Congressional direction for the Department of Defense (DoD) to establish a cadre of experts to leverage the use of commercial items and emerging technologies. The Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment) has approved DCMA CIG contracting officers to serve as determining officials for commercial items. The DCMA CIG has expertise in a multitude of commodity groups at six geographic locations: Boston – Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO) Services, Chemicals and Materials; Philadelphia - Naval Transport and Equipment, Troop Supply; Phoenix - Heavy Machinery, Missiles; Indianapolis - Automotive, Aeronautics, Aircraft Engines; Denver - Space (Spacecraft and Lift), C4I (Systems, Cyber & Services), Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS); and, St. Petersburg - Vehicles, Weapons, Ammo.

Effective immediately, DCMA CIG Contracting Officers will serve as determining officials for all commercial item review requests submitted to DCMA. Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Procedures, Guidance, and Instructions (PGI) 212.102, advise Contracting Officers how to request assistance from the DoD cadre of experts in the DCMA CIG. Requests for DCMA CIG review should be submitted to the CIG at https://www.dcma.mil/Commercial-Item-Group/. Determinations by the CIG will relieve buying activity Procuring Contracting Officers (PCO) from duplicating effort expended reviewing the CIG recommendations to determine whether an item meets the FAR 2.101 definition of "commercial item" as well as provide consistency in the commerciality review process. Determinations made by the DCMA CIG will be contained in the commercial item database

available for all DoD contracting officers to rely upon for future purchases of the same item or service.

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